

ClaimsEXAMINED BY
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1. A feeding bottle for babies or young children provided in stackable form.
2. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 1, wherein the bottle comprises components that are stackable in sets of the components.
3. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 2, wherein the bottle comprising a container body and a closure therefor, is provided as a stack of container bodies one within the other and a stack of closures on top of each other.
4. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 3, wherein the closure component includes a teat for the bottle.
5. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 4, wherein the teat is a separable component.
6. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 5 further comprising means for locking the teat in place.
7. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 6, wherein the locking means comprises a locking ring to clamp a flange of the teat between the closure and the ring.
8. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 4, wherein the teat is bonded or co-molded to the closure.
9. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 4, wherein the teat is attached to one end of the container body and a closure is attachable to the opposite end of the body.
10. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 4 to 9, wherein a cap

is provided for protecting the teat.

11. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 10, wherein the cap is a press-fit over the teat onto the closure or sides of the body.

12. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 1, 2 or 3, wherein the bottle has a closure having a drinking spout.

13. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 12, wherein the spout has a slit for a drinking opening.

14. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 12 or 13, wherein the spout is situated close to an edge of the closure.

15. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 12, 13 or 14, wherein the closure has a vent.

16. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 15, wherein the vent is in the form of a slit.

17. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 15 or 16, wherein the vent is in a depression of the closure.

18. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 15, 16 or 17, wherein the vent slit is shorter than the slit of the drinking spout.

19. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 12 to 18, wherein the spout is co-moulded onto the closure.

20. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 19, wherein the vent is co-moulded onto the closure.

21. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 3 to 20, wherein the closure is a screw cap.

22. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 3 to 21, wherein the closure is non-removable once the bottle has been filled.

23. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 22, wherein the closure and container include a ratchet mechanism.
24. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 3 to 20, wherein the closure is a snap-fit onto the body.
25. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 24, wherein a formation is provided on the body to inhibit removal of the closure.
26. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 25, wherein said formation is a rib or the like to inhibit levering off of the closure.
27. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 26, wherein the rib extends outwards to be substantially coterminous with the outer extent of the closure.
28. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 3 to 20, wherein the closure is adapted or arranged to form a fluid tight seal with the container body.
29. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 28, wherein the container body before use has a cover protecting the interior thereof.
30. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 29, wherein the cover extends into the container body, whereby container bodies are stackable one within the other.
31. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 29 or 30, wherein the cover is adhered to the rim of the container body at its open end.
32. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 29, 30 or 31, wherein the cover is made of flexible plastics material.
33. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 29 to 32, wherein the cover is non-stick relative to the material of the container body.
34. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 29 to 33, wherein the

cover is made of polystyrene.

35. A feeding bottle for babies or young children comprising a container body and a closure therefor, wherein the container body before use has a cover protecting the interior thereof.

36. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 35, wherein the cover extends into the container body, whereby container bodies are stackable one within the other.

37. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 35 or 36, wherein the cover is adhered to the rim of the container body at its open end.

38. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 35, 36 or 37, wherein the cover is made of flexible plastics material.

39. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 35 to 38, wherein the cover is non-stick relative to the material of the container body.

40. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 35 to 39, wherein the cover is made of polystyrene.

41. A container body for a feeding bottle for babies or young children, wherein the container body before use has a cover protecting the interior thereof.

42. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 41, wherein the cover extends into the container body, whereby container bodies are stackable one within the other.

43. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 41 or 42, wherein the cover is adhered to the rim of the container body at its open end.

44. A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 41, 42 or 43, wherein the cover is made of flexible plastics material.

45. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 41 to 44, wherein the cover is non-stick relative to the material of the container body.

46. A feeding bottle as claimed in any one of claims 41 to 45, wherein the cover is made of polystyrene.

47. A package comprising a stack of container bodies and a stack of closures therefor in sterile condition.